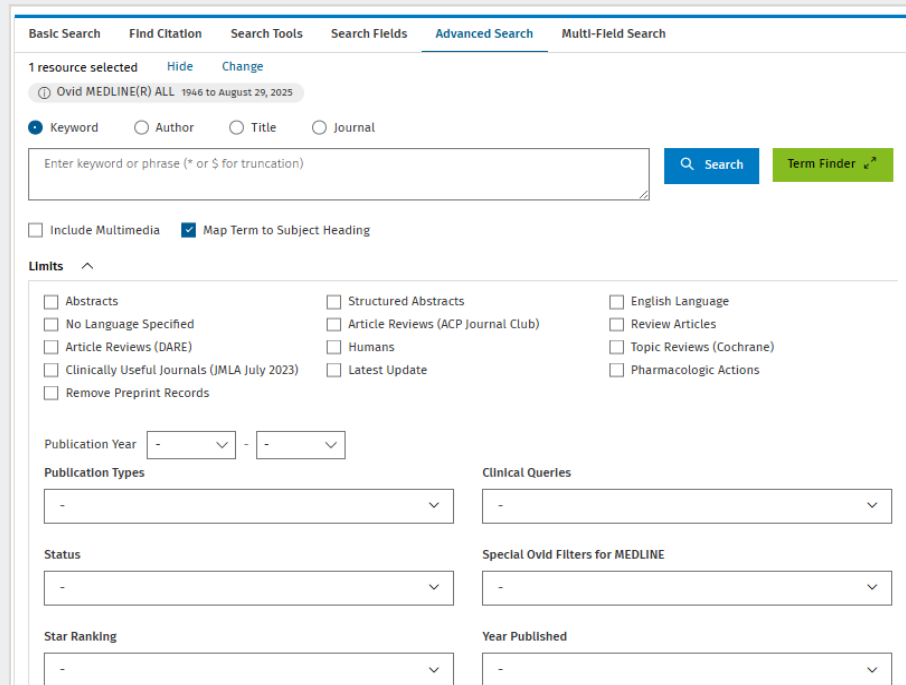


The advantage of having Embase, APA PsycInfo and MEDLINE on Ovid®

The availability of the 3 big bibliographic databases, Embase, MEDLINE and APA PsycInfo, combined on one research platform for multi-database searching is an advantage that most other platforms do not have. It provides you with a seamless search experience, making Ovid the preferred research platform for researchers, information professionals, and medical writers. Each database has its own specialized, controlled vocabulary in Emtree, MESH, and the APA thesaurus, and uniquely, Ovid's UMLS-based medical lexicon for all of them.



The screenshot shows the Ovid Basic Search interface. At the top, there are tabs for Basic Search, Find Citation, Search Tools, Search Fields, Advanced Search (selected), and Multi-Field Search. Below the tabs, it indicates "1 resource selected" and shows a filter for "Ovid MEDLINE(R) ALL 1946 to August 29, 2025". There are radio buttons for Keyword (selected), Author, Title, and Journal. A search box contains the placeholder text "Enter keyword or phrase (* or \$ for truncation)". To the right of the search box are "Search" and "Term Finder" buttons. Below the search box, there are checkboxes for "Include Multimedia" and "Map Term to Subject Heading" (checked). A "Limits" section is expanded, showing various filters: Abstracts, No Language Specified, Article Reviews (DARE), Clinically Useful Journals (JMLA July 2023), Remove Preprint Records, Structured Abstracts, Article Reviews (ACP Journal Club), Humans, Latest Update, English Language, Review Articles, Topic Reviews (Cochrane), and Pharmacologic Actions. There are also dropdown menus for Publication Year, Publication Types, Status, Star Ranking, Clinical Queries, Special Ovid Filters for MEDLINE, and Year Published.

Basic Search

Ovid's Basic Search uses Natural Language Processing (NLP) which returns results in relevance ranked order non-indexed search results for novices. For new and experienced users looking to find quick but highly relevant results, the NLP algorithm allows them to submit complete sentences or questions. The Basic search query is automatically expanded by including related terms, which use Ovid's UMLS-based medical lexicon.

Advanced Search

For novices, the Ovid default in an Advanced Search is seamless; there's no need to know complex syntax. It automatically searches unqualified terms using Ovid's unique multipurpose field, assuring results most often find relevant articles. It defaults to search in the relevant fields for each of the specific databases, including abstract, headings, subheadings, key concepts, title, table of contents, and other descriptive fields, filtering out the noise that would be introduced if all fields were to be included in a default search. **Ovid Term Finder** for MeSH, Emtree and the APA Thesaurus allows users to quickly prepare structured searches taking full advantage of the thesaurus tools.

For seasoned searchers and information specialists advanced search offers a wealth of search tools including search history sharing, Ovid Analyzer, and extensive limit options like **Clinical Queries** **Special Ovid filters** and **Expert searches**.

Advanced Search (continued)

Analyzer: Quickly analyze results up to 5000 records to create improved search strategies utilizing Ovid AI tools.

Clinical Queries: The clinical queries provided on each of the 3 big bibliographic databases, Embase, MEDLINE and APA PsycInfo, provide fast access to validated search filters for “Review Articles,” “Therapy” or “Qualitative Studies.” Limiting using Clinical Queries will restrict retrieval to clinically sound studies for all categories. Ovid Filters and Expert Searches to find existing validated searches as examples or starting points for literature research.

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Embase's expertise in pharmacology, alongside its comprehensive international content, makes it an indispensable resource for in-depth research, pharmacovigilance, and the study of medical devices. Recognized as one of the essential bibliographic tools, Embase is accepted and recommended by leading authorities such as the EMA, FDA, and Cochrane for literature reviews, regulatory compliance, post-market surveillance, and clinical evaluations.

Monitoring of medical literature -EMBASE

https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/documents/other/monitoring-medical-literature-entry-relevant-information-eudravigilance-database-european-medicines-agency-embase_en.pdf



Searching for and selecting studies

<https://www.cochrane.org/authors/handbooks-and-manuals/handbook/current/chapter-04#section-4-3-1>



The FDA typically avoids endorsing specific commercial databases in its formal guidance. Instead, it refers to general principles for literature review, such as using comprehensive, peer-reviewed sources and indexing systems.

<https://www.fda.gov/regulatory-information/search-fda-guidance-documents>



Ovid MEDLINE

While the core of MEDLINE is covered in Embase, a thorough literature review cannot be done without searching Ovid MEDLINE separately. Ovid MEDLINE provides the same coverage in comparison to PubMed, and its implementation of MeSH (Medical Subject Headings) on Ovid considered the standard for precision searching among professional literature researchers. Like Embase, MEDLINE is one of the essential bibliographic resources recommended and accepted by the EMA, FDA, and Cochrane for literature reviews.

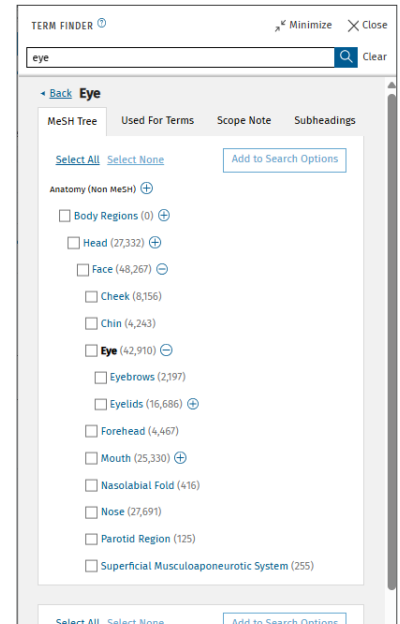
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APA PsycInfo

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